

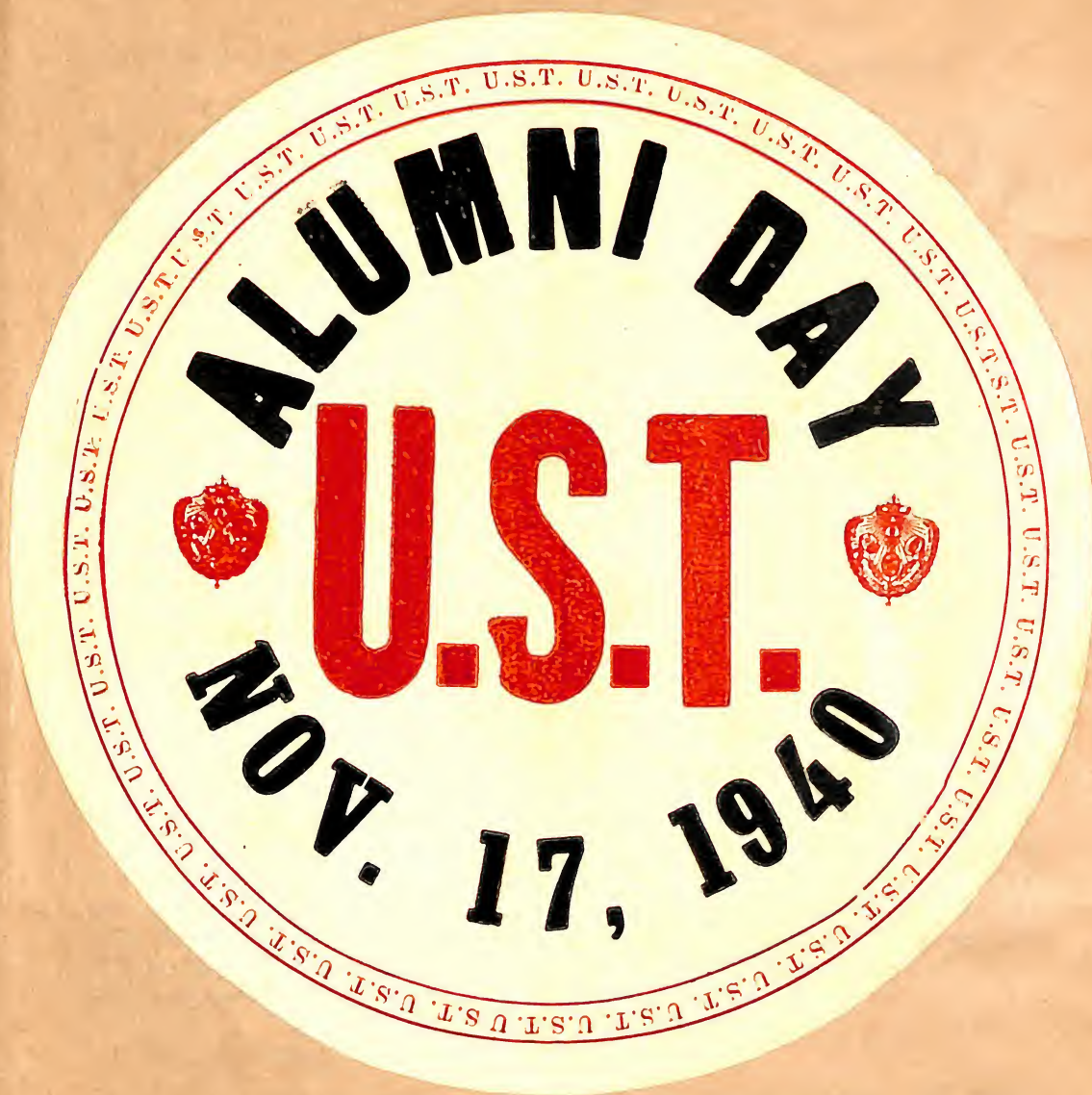
UNIVERSITY OF SANTO TOMAS

ALUMNI DAY

NOVEMBER 17, 1949

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**The Alumni Association  
of the University of Santo Tomas  
Manila**

Octubre, 1940

QUERIDO COMPAÑERO:

Ya está a la vista el Gran Día de los Ex-Alumnos de la trisecular Universidad de Sto. Tomas: el domingo, 17 de Noviembre.

La Junta Directiva de la Asociación de Ex-Alumnos se complace en anunciarle que ha desplegado esfuerzos inauditos para preparar un programa de fiestas que sea digno y atractivo para los tomasinos en el día de la gran reunión. Aún más, se ha esforzado singularmente la Junta en ver la manera y excogitar los medios más eficaces para realizar los altos propósitos de la Asociación y conseguir en último término que nuestra "Alma Mater" y sus hijos se recuerden siempre, se ayuden en todo momento y vivan íntimamente unidos.

Sería vano nuestro empeño si no contáramos con su valiosa colaboración. Por eso me permito encarecerle, en nombre de la Junta Directiva, se la preste, siquiera en ese día memorable, en forma de asistencia personal o delegada, tomando parte en todos los números del programa que es lo siguiente:

9:00 a.m.—Misa de Campaña.

9:30 a.m.—Parada Militar en honor de los Ex-Alumnos, sus Familias é Invitados.

10:00 a.m. á 12:00 m.d.—Recepción por el P. Rector. Acto seguido visita de los Edificios, Clases, Museo, Laboratorios, etc. (Open House).

10:00 a.m. á 12:00 m.d.—Simultáneamente.—Juegos para los niños de los Ex-Alumnos.

DEAR FELLOW-ALUMNUS:

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*Our efforts would be of no avail if we do not count with your valuable support. For this reason, I ask you, in the name of the Board of Directors to lend us your help by being present on the memorable day, and taking part in the activities as follows:*



12:00 m.d.—Banquete. Huesped de Honor: Dra. Aurora A. de Quezon. En el banquete se hará entrega de las primeras insignias de ex-alumnos a S. E. Dr. Manuel L. Quezon, Presidente de Filipinas, y a su distinguida Señora.

5:00 p.m.—Recepción y Té en Malacañan por S. E. el Presidente de Filipinas, para los ex-alumnos.

Anímese, pues, con los suyos a sumarse con antiguos compañeros de antaño y los nuevos de hogaño; y anime a cuantos tomasinos conoce y ve, enterándoles de que este año habrá un gran día en que los tomasinos, enlazando el pasado con el presente sellarán su promesa de unión y cooperación para asegurar un bello porvenir para todos.

Mientras espero confiado en su aquiescencia y asistencia me ofrezco de Vd. con los mejores sentimientos, suyo atto. s. s. y compañero,

*you distinguida Señora*

*Let us therefore arouse in ourselves the spirit to renew intimacies with old friends and form new friendships with the recent comers. Let us invite all Thomasians within your acquaintance and reach, telling them that this year there is a day when the Thomasians, by joining the past with the present, will redeem their pledge of unity and cooperation to assure a brilliant future for all.*

*I hope, confidently, that you will not fail to be present in this big affair, and I remain,*

*Your sincere friend,*

*Jose M. Delgado*

JOSE M. DELGADO  
Presidente - President

P. D.—ADJUNTO UN BILLETE PARA NUESTRO DIA DE EX-ALUMNOS.

Enclosed is a ticket for our Alumni Day.

SI SE PROPONE ASISTIR, SIRVASE REMITIR EL IMPORTE DEL BILLETE,  
If you will attend, please remit the price of the ticket

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P2.50 to the undersigned, 2305 E. Mendiola, Manila, or to the Treasurer

DE LA ASOCIACION, SR. N. DE RAMOS, REGISTRADOR, UNIVERSIDAD  
of the Association, Mr. N. de Ramos, Registrar, University

DE STO. TOMAS, MANILA, O AL SECRETARIO DE LA ASOCIACION,  
of Sto. Tomas, Manila, or to the Secretary of the Association,

SR. JUSTO N. LOPEZ, 6 ARTURO, MANILA **ANTES DEL 13 DE NOVIEMBRE**  
Mr. J. N. Lopez, 6 Arturo, Manila, **before November 13, 1940.**

**PROXIMO. — J.M.D.**



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# Calling All

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## U. S. T. ALUMNI DAY PROGRAM: SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 1940

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# THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF SANTO TOMAS



# PROGRAM

University of Santo Tomas  
Alumni Homecoming



Sunday

November 17, 1940

Sulucan Campus



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El Debate

## La fiesta de los tomasinos

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El Presidente Manuel L. Quezon y Da. Aurora A. de Quezon recibieron ayer las primeras insignias de ex-alumnos de la Universidad de Santo Tomas con ocasion del 329.o aniversario de la institucion y la reunion anual de ex-alumnos. En la foto, aparece el Dr. Jose M. Delgado presidente de los ex-alumnos entregando la insignia a Da. Aurora. Al extremo izquierdo, está el Jefe Ejecutivo.





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A la izquierda Da. Aurora A. de Quezon expresando su agradecimiento despues de recibir la insignia de los ex-alumnos de la Universidad y a la derecha el Presidente Quezon con el Rector P. Sancho antes de la recepcion en Malacañang.



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En la recepcion que el Presidente Quezon y D.a Aurora dieron ayer tarde en Malacañang en honor de los ex-alumnos de Santo Tomas. Formando la linea de recepcion con los distinguidos anfitriones, están el Rector Magnifico R. P. Silvestre Sancho y dignatarios de la Asociacion de Ex-alumnos.





**UST HOLDS DAY.**—President and Mrs. Manuel I. Quezon last Sunday received the first insignia as alumni of the University of Santo Tomas, on the occasion of the 329th anniversary of the Pontifical University and the annual homecoming of the alumni. Top shows Dr. Jose M. Delgado, president of the alumni association, giving Mrs. Quezon her insigne while the President, at left, looks at his. Below: at the reception given by President and Mrs. Quezon in Malacañan in the afternoon for the U.S.T. alumni. Forming the reception line were, besides the President and Mrs. Quezon, the Very Rev. Silvestre Sancho, O. P., rector of the university, and officers of the alumni association. Major Rafael Jalandoni, senior Malacañan aide-de-camp, introduced the guests.





# The Tribune

## President, Mrs. Quezon Honored At U.S.T. Alumni Reunion

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To the University of Santo Tomas gymnasium last Sunday went President and Mrs. Manuel L. Quezon to attend the 1940 "home-coming" of Santo Tomas alumni, she as guest of honor at the alumni banquet. Mrs. Quezon, like the President, holds an honorary doctor's degree from the university.

As the alumni sat over their coffee cups, the Very Rev. Dr. Silvestre Sancho, O. P., Santo Tomas rector, rose to present the President and Mrs. Quezon with the first alumni pins to be awarded by the university.

Said Mrs. Quezon in the shortest home-coming speech in the memory of alumni: "I have very little to say but I want you to remember it forever because it comes from the bottom of my heart. It is: I thank you very much."

Anecdote of the reunion was that related by Assemblyman Benito Soliven, vice-president, of the alumni association, about Mrs. Quezon: "Some two years ago, Doña Aurora visited Vigan, Ilocos Sur. Women from all walks of life went to greet her. In welcome they gave her a bouquet. Doña Aurora took the flowers, placed them reverently on the altar of the town church. To Him alone, she told them, are honors rightfully due."

Alumnus Soliven also addressed to the rector a petition to declare Monday a holiday. When Rector Sancho's turn to speech came, he referred the petition to President Quezon. Taking his place-card, the President scribbled on it, "O. K.—M.L.Q.," passed it on to the rector. Remarked Father Sancho: "This autograph is a treasure."

Rector Sancho, in his speech,

said that in the future Santo Tomas may be run by Filipino Dominicans now being trained for this job at the Dominican novitiate in Hongkong. Key-posts in the university are held by Spanish Dominicans, although an American Dominican is head of the department of English.

At 5 p. m. President and Mrs. Quezon received the alumni at Malacañan, were hosts at tea. Santo Tomas co-eds sang, danced, recited poetry. Major Rafael Jalandoni, senior Malacañan aide-de-camp, made the introductions. When the party was over, the President saw his guests to the door.



THE PHILIPPINES HERALD, THURSDAY, NOV. 14, 1940

U. S. T. Alumni Supplement

# Full Attendance Is Expected At UST Alumni Homecoming

## MRS. QUEZON IS GUEST OF HONOR AT FETE

By BENITO SOLIVEN  
Chairman, Publicity Committee

This year's U. S. T. Day will be held on the 17th of this month of November. We should all endeavor to make it the biggest alumni home-coming. The Alma Mater welcomes each and everyone of you on that joyous day. Do not fail her!

Our guest of honor will be Dr. Aurora A. Quezon, the First Lady of the land. We are most fortunate in having her as our special guest. She holds the degree of Doctor of Science in Pedagogy, *honoris causa*, from the University of Sto. Tomas.

His Excellency President Manuel L. Quezon, our most distinguished alumnus, will honor the occasion with his august presence. More than that, he graciously invites the alumni to a Reception and Tea at Malacañan Palace at 5:00 in the afternoon, November 17. It will be the crowning event of the celebration.



PRESIDENT MANUEL L. QUEZON, Number I alumnus of the University of Santo Tomas.



Alumni Vice-President Osmeña, Secretary of Agriculture and Commerce Hon. Benigno Aquino, Secretary of Public Works Hon. Jose Avelino, Chief Justice Ramon Ayanceña, Justices Hon. Jose P. Laurel, Hon. Anacleto Diaz, and Hon. Manuel V. Moran, Chairman of the Commission on Elections Hon. Pedro Concepcion, Major-Gen. Basilio J. Valdes, Auditor General Dr. Jaime Hernandez, and many other famous alumni, have pledged their cooperation and at-

tendance. But this does not mean that the university day is specially for those who have attained to public distinction. It is, in equal measure for each and every alumnus. In the same way that a mother loves all her children, the Alma Mater affectionately and eagerly awaits and welcomes *all her children*. This venerable institution under whose tutelage so many of the great men of the past, like Fr. Jose A. Burgos, Jose Rizal, Apolinario Mabini and General Antonio Luna, and so many of the nation's present leaders studied, feels proud not only of those who have won prominence and fame but also of all her alumni who, though inconspicuously, have served God, country and fellow-men.



## MALACANAN RECEPTION TO BE HELD

By **DIONISIO K. YORRO**  
Member, Faculty of Philosophy and  
Letters, U.S.T.

The traditional University of Santo Tomas alumni homecoming, commemorating the 329th anniversary of the Pontifical University, will be featured with a grand reception at Malacañan Palace by President and Mrs. Manuel Luis Quezon Sunday afternoon, November 17.

An all-day affair, the program of the U.S.T. Alumni Day will be ushered in with a Field Mass to be held on the University of Santo Tomas Campus with Msgr. Alfredo Verzosa, bishop of Lipa, as celebrant.

After the mass, a gala military parade and review in honor of the thousands of alumni, their families and invited guests will be given by the U.S.T. R.O.T.C. From ten o'clock to noon, the Very



**MRS. AURORA A. DE QUEZON,**  
First Lady of the Land, guest of  
honor at the U.S.T. alumni banquet.

Rev. Fr. Silvestre Sancho, O.P., rector magnificus of the University, will receive the alumni. Immediately after the reception, there will be an "open house" at the new building. Different games will be played by children of the alumni at the Sulucan Campus.

The main event of the alumni homecoming is the grand banquet to be held at the University Gymnasium at noon with Mrs. Aurora Aragon de Quezon as guest of honor. It must be remembered that the First Lady of the Land was awarded the honorary degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Pedagogy by the University of Santo Tomas. During the banquet which will be attended by all the members of the Quezon family, the President and Mrs. Quezon will be presented with the first U.S.T. alumni insignias. Nonong Quezon is the only member of the President's family who is not a U.S.T. alumnus.

The celebration will be climaxed with a reception and tea at five in the afternoon at the Malacañan Palace by the President and Mrs. Quezon. All alumni have been invited to attend the affair.

The all-day affair of the U.S.T.



## Alumni Association Head Urges All Members To Be Present

Dr. Jose Ma. Delgado, president of the U.S.T. Alumni Association, is urging the graduates for a hundred per cent attendance at the banquet.

He says:

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Vice-President **SERGIO OSMENA**

## Osmena Extends His Greetings To Alumni

By **SERGIO OSMENA**  
Vice President of the Philippines

It gives me great pleasure to extend the most cordial greetings to the alumni of the University of Santo Tomas. The setting aside of a special day for them is not only an evidence of the affection in which they are held by their Alma Mater but, also, a recognition of the important place they hold in the scheme of life of the institution.

The University of Santo Tomas has abundant reason to feel proud of the thousands of men and women whose intellectual and moral development it has guided. Many of them have not only earned laurels in their chosen line of activity to their community and to the country.

These men and women, have equal reason to be proud of their university. The University of Santo Tomas is the oldest center of learning not only in the Philippines but in all the territories under the American flag. Yet this venerable age has not diminished the creative capacity of the institution. Displaying the vigor of youth, today it is, as it has been in the past, alert and progressive, eagerly keeping abreast of new developments in everything that concerns the mind and spirit of man.



# Duty Of Every Citizen To His Country Is Emphasized

By Major General BASILIO J. VALDES,  
chief of staff, Philippine Army

To the Alumni of the  
University of Santo Tomas:

I accept with pleasure the invitation to write a few lines on the occasion of the alumni-homecoming celebration of this year. As a graduate of the University of Santo Tomas, the oldest institution that has carried the flag of the stars and fringes, I cannot evade the obligation to contribute my share in the exaltation of such a venerable institution of learning whose history is closely attached to

the culture and civilization of my country.

Doubtless you expect me to treat of the defense of our country in case of invasion, in this message, inasmuch as this possibility is the current torture of many minds. I assure you that I do not subscribe to ideas of defeatism and I realize that though sometimes force governs and commands, still I continue feeling confident that humanity will be governed by the norms of

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law, honor, gentlemanliness, and love. And so that these standards of conduct may reign, we are all called upon to put into them all our efforts. In this sense all Thomasians have the great responsibility of contributing through their dignity and prestige an affirmation and encouragement of this noble concept of life in public opinion.

The National Defense Act affirms the duties and obligations of every Filipino, in connection with the defense and security of the country. To this end, the law makes military service obligatory. The law, in defining the rights and duties of the citizens, makes clear that the enjoyment of individual privileges is intimately related to the accomplishment of the obligations of citizenship.

If we desire that our country should increase in the heritage of culture, wealth, and power, we are all duty bound to exert sincere efforts to have it so. This is what constitutes "national discipline," without which any nation will surely perish. The civilization, strength, and perpetuity of a nation are





Major General VALDES

measured by the degree of national discipline reached by it.

Our preparation for national de-

fense is based on the extreme necessity to protect our homes and our national ideals. The success of this program means for us national contentment, security, and peace.

Therefore, the greatest offering that a man can make to his country is to assume a norm of conduct whose evaluation is not based on what the man is or was but on what he did and is doing for his country.

In this necessary and decisive behavior, we have the rule which we should obey: The norm should be that of the man of integrity ready to serve his country and firm in the conviction that to defend our flag and die and fight for it and for the country it represents, is the greatest privilege that a man of honor may aspire for.

In this way do I call your attention, so that in the measure of our individual and collective strength, you may work constantly for the aggrandizement and welfare of our country. Your culture, your intellect, your moral superiority,—all these impose upon you this unavoidable duty. "Noblesse Oblige."



## BE PATRIOTS, U.S.T. RECTOR TELLS ALUMNI

By Fr. SILVESTRE SANCHO, O. P.,  
*Rector Magnificus*

The great Dominican Laordaire said that love has only one word which although said many times never repeats itself.

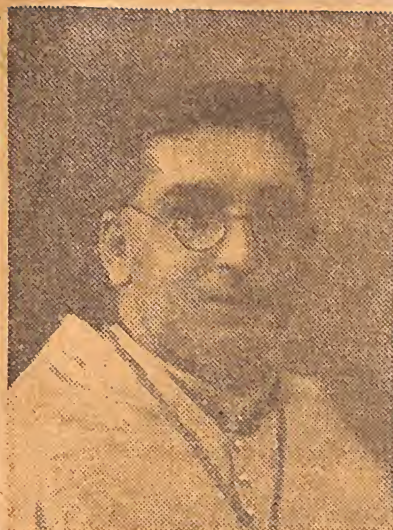
So this message, born of the love that I have in my heart towards you, is to tell you once again what oft have I told you without implying in it any tedious repetition.

During a few years you lived in the shelter of the walls of this tricentenary institution. In those years the university had moulded and impressed its seal on your soul, without perhaps your being directly conscious of the act.

And you left her halls, some as physicians, other as pharmacists; some lawyers, some engineers, educators, or merchants. And you went into God's world, taking in your hearts, as in a container, the juice of the great principles that the University of Santo Tomas had poured into them.

It is still the Thomasite university, despite the efforts of some insistent spirits to set aside the immaculate front of this Institution,—the Christian, the Spanish and the Filipino where all three stand side by side in exemplary harmony.

It was founded by an Archbishop



Rev. Fr. SILVESTRE SANCHO,  
O. P., rector of the University of  
Santo Tomas.

and he put it in the care of a religious order, that of Truth. A Pontiff of Rome and a King of Spain authorized it to grant degrees.

The students of the university and almost all of her professors have for years now been Filipinos who bow to none in patriotism.

My message, therefore, has to be as it has always been: "Keep yourself Christians and be patriots." The service of God is not incompatible with the service to country; nor does it exclude love of country, reverence and love of other nations that for us and with us have labored to attain the well-being of our land.

The University of Santo Tomas has survived three long centuries. She has been passing in front of her not a few torments; she has found herself in the very vortex of not a few storms of hate and passion lashed freely against her.

Her sons have always been loyal to her; she has always been loyal to her own principles: Christian—Spanish and Filipino. To ask for any other thing would be to destroy her and her destruction would mean the ruin of not a few Philippine traditions.

Dear alumni: on your homecoming day, I have no other message to give than what I have always given you:

"Keep yourself Christians and be Patriots."



## Achievements Of Journal In One Year Recited By Writer

Faithfully dedicated to the name and divinity of Our Lord, Jesus Christ, the *Holy Name Journal*, official monthly organ of the Holy Name Society in the Philippines, made its public appearance a year ago this month... exactly one glorious and fruitful year of activity in the realm of Catholic journalism in the Far East. During its first year, the journal has not only served as a means of bringing the thousands of holy-namers close together, but it has also given—and it will continue to give—Catholic ideas and idealism to the Catholic and non-Catholic reading public in its pages.

Last year, after the formal opening of the religious activities of the society in the university the Rev. Father Moderator wanted to bring the holynamers in close contact with each other so as to give them more encouragement and enthusiasm... to animate and revitalize their religious activities...

And to this purpose he called on the month of August a general meeting of the faculty and student units of the society to discuss the possibilities of putting out an organ to spread the Gospel of our Lord.

The members of the society promised to help—morally and financially—to sponsor a magazine that would be truly mirror of a one hundred per cent holynamers. So the *Holy Name Journal* was born, and since the initial issue, the *Journal* has been coming out regularly. The directors wholeheartedly appreciate the invaluable help of the members of the society.

First editor of the *Journal* was Dr. Jose M. Hernandez, former-

ly head of the U.S.T. department of English... but now a major in the Philippine Army, teaching at the Philippine Military Academy; managing editor, Dionisio K. Yorro; business manager, Rev. Fr. Bernabe Alonso, O.P., and capable assistants.

Professor Victorio C. Edades, director of the school of fine arts and architecture, designed the cover. While Professor Jose L. de Ocampo, faculty member of the U.S.T. school of fine arts and architecture, and some students of faculty of the same school made the beautiful designs and fitting illustrations for the different de-



**BENITO SOLIVEN**, vice-president and chairman of the committee on publicity.





Msgr. ALFREDO VERZOSA, bishop of Lipa, Batangas, who will celebrate an alumni mass next Sunday during the U.S.T. alumni homecoming.

partments of the *Journal*.

The policy and platform which the *Journal* adheres to are vividly and kaleidoscopically described and elaborated in our first editorial entitled "For God and Country." The Editorial reads in part as follows:

The *Holy Name Journal* is committed to the following:

*First:* The glorification of the name of Jesus and the prevention of its blasphemous use at all times and places;

*Second:* The glorification of the Philippines as a Catholic country strengthened and vitalized by men who are practical Catholics, not Catholics in name only.

The *Holy Name Journal* will also strive for greater honesty and purer faith in Philippine political life because it believes in the principle that the greatest patriot and statesman loves not only his country but his God.

In order to encourage and foster a higher standard of Filipino poetical literature in English, and to discover literature in English, and to discover new literary talents as well as to fan the fires of inspiration among those already in the field, the *Holy Name Journal* has decided to hold a national poetical contest in poetry, open to all Filipinos with poetical inclination, irrespective of age or sex.

Winning poems will be declaimed, either by their authors or by someone else whom the author or the staff of the *Holy Name Journal* may designate, in a radio broadcast which the Holy Name Society of

the University of Santo Tomas is sponsoring during the coming University Day celebrations, November 11-15.<sup>o</sup>

In conclusion we would like to reiterate that the staff of the *Journal* are very grateful to the members of the society, readers and patrons of this catholic organ for making this first a glorious and fruitful year.—*Dionisio K. Yarro.*



## Engineering Courses Emphasized By UST

Realizing the significance of engineering for the material progress and self-sufficiency of the Commonwealth both at war and in peace, the University of Santo Tomas in an effort to save the country better will, beginning next school year, give new impetus to the different departments of Engineering offered at present by the university: civil, mining, chemical, electrical and mechanical.

Main features of the new policy will be: first, a substantial reduction of the tuition fees to make these studies available to the largest possible number of students; second, discounts for subjects in which students excel as a stimulus to specialization with a view to the industrialization of the

country; third, the addition of new experienced professors to the present staff to make instruction more practical. The announcement was made by the Rev. Fr. Jesus Valbuena, O.P., Regent of the U.S.T. College of Engineering and the School of Architecture and Fine Arts. Professor Alberto Guevara is the dean of the college.

Perhaps no other career offers today as great advantage and good prospective future both for the country and students, in war and in peace, as Engineering in its different departments. The Commonwealth will be short of engineers of all kinds, especially of chemical engineers. The University of Santo Tomas has today the best laboratory for Chemical Engineering in the Islands and a strong faculty of licensed professors and instructors, young and old, headed by Dr. Timoteo Dar Juan of the bureau of science. In the last board examinations, both civil and chemical engineering, a hundred per cent of the graduates of the university who took the examinations passed. The first graduates of the university in the chemical department two years ago copped all the first places and only one failed.



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(Nov. 17, 1940)

MILES OF SMILES—A VERY HAPPY HOMECOMING



*His Excellency, the President of the Commonwealth; the Pres. of the U.S.T. Alumni Ass'n.; the First Lady of the Land; and the Rector Magnificus.*

## THE SHORTEST SPEECH OF THE DAY



*"I have very little to say but I want you to remember it forever because it comes from the bottom of my heart. It is: I thank you very much."*

—DOÑA AURORA A. DE QUEZON



## Discurso Leído por el P. Rector

(DÍA DE EX-ALUMNOS 1940)

Exmo Sr.:

Señora:

Ex-alumnos:

No son mis merecimientos los que me permiten levantarme, para esto que ni quisiera fuera discurso, ni sermón, y sí simple charla.

No es el P. Sancho quien va hablaros. El P. Sancho no tiene méritos para la grande distinción que es el dirijiros la palabra a vosotros que representais lo mejor de este querido pueblo filipino.

Es, queridos ex-alumnos, el Rector de Sto. Tomas quién os va a dirijir unas cuantas palabras. El Rector que algún tiempo se llamó Paya; otras veces Velazquez, o Noval o Alfageme, Arellano y Tamayo; y que hoy, por voluntad única y exclusiva del P. General de la Orden de Sto. Domingo y de la Sagrada Congregación de Universidades y Seminarios se llama como su Servidor.

Algunos, muchos de vosotros os graduasteis cuando yo no había aún nacido; algunos podrían ser casi mis abuelos; otros os graduasteis conmigo en aquel hermoso Salón de Actos de San Juan de Letran; muchos ya sois posteriores a mi y a algunos yo fuí quien en nombre del Pontífice Romano concedió los grados. No es, pues mi humilde persona la que va a dirijiros la palabra; es el P. Rector quién con la venia de Su Excelencia os dice:



Tres cientos veinte y nueve años de vida tiene la Institu-

ción que os cuenta por hijos y a la que vosotros amais como a Madre. Y si "el diablo sabe mas por viejo que por diablo", es muy natural que esta Universidad sepa de muchas cosas que solo el correr de los años enseñan. La Historia mejor sabida, es la que se ha vivido, y la Historia dicen que es Maestra de la Vida, por eso sabe tanto de la Vida esta Institución.

Sobre su frente ha visto pasar días de triunfo y gloria; pero también días amargos y de dolor. ¡No hubiera sido tan altamente humana si no supiera de esas dos cosas que constituyen la trama de toda vida!

Conoció días de glorificación y triunfo; de ensalzamiento y de apocosis; pero sabe también de diatribas e insultos; de complots y maquinaciones para causar su ruina. En este mundo no llueve nunca a gusto de todos y dejó Dios las cosas naturales en manos de los hombres y entregadas a sus disputas.

Señores: en los días de gloria, vosotros lo sabeis, la Universidad se comportó con mesura y cual convenia a su rango y a su estirpe; también supo portarse dignamente en los de tristeza y cuando la destrucción llamaba a sus puertas. Consecuente consigo misma, la Universidad en todo tiempo ha tenido dos normas de conducta, que suelen ser poco comunes hoy. A) Trabajar, trabajar siempre e ir incesantemente adelante en el camino de su desenvolvimiento, sin desfallecer, sin orgullicerse.

B) Vivir su vida en silencio y hacer su labor calladamente, sin dar excesiva importancia ni a las alabanzas ni a las injurias, que como toda cosa humana son pasajeras.

Sabe muy bien esta vieja matrona, madre de tantas generaciones, que no hay mal que dure cien años: como sabe también que junto al Capitulo de los días de triunfo esta la roca Tarpeya, por donde eran muchas veces despeñados los triunfadores. Sabe que su obra no es obra solo de unos hombres de terminados; sino colectiva. Pasarán los hombres; pasaran los Payas, los Velazquez, los Arellanos, los Tamayos de feliz memoria; pasare yo y mis sucesores acaso por muchas generaciones, Santo Tomas seguirá viviendo, mientras el pueblo Filipino tenga confianza en Ella, y mientras ella sepa parecerse a si misma.

Evolucionar? Si; como ha evolucionado hasta aqui. Cam-



biarse? No, al menos en la parte substantiva. Morir con honra vale mas que vivir con vilipendio.

*Católica, española y Filipina.* He ahí las tres cualidades esenciales que Benavides su fundador le dió y que han sido siempre su norte y su guía. Y quien así no la quiera es que no la quiere de ninguna manera. Quitadla cualquiera de esas características y la habeis destruido.

Puede ser que llegue un día, y acaso no tan lejano como se cree, en que los dominicos españoles dejemos paso a los dominicos filipinos, algunos de los cuales ya se están formando en el Noviciado de Rosaryhill en Hong-Kong. Ninguna pesadumbre sentiría yo si fuera el que hubiera de entregar a mis hermanos de hábito filipinos esta Universidad que tantos desvelos nos ha costado a los Españoles y que supone tan gran cúmulo de sacrificios y hasta de sangre. Los religiosos estamos curtidors en el arte de abandonar un nido que hicimos a costa de sacrificios y durante muchos años y siglos, para ir a buscar otro, que acaso tengamos que hacer pagita a pagita, no teniendo en el entretanto mas casa que el campo y una pobre choza o acaso por techo los cielos de Dios.

Al marcharnos si algún día nos marchamos y dar el último abrazo a aquellos dominicos filipinos les diremos solo esto:

Sed católicos; sed Filipinos y no os olvideis de España y de los dominicos españoles que durante siglos trabajaron para levantar esta casa solariega, que es la casa donde se formó el alma Nacional.

Con esta encomienda como último testamento les daremos el beso de paz en la frente, que será como besar estos muros amasados con los sudores y la sangre de cientos y miles de hermanos nuestros.

Y seguros estamos que despues de nuestra marcha la Universidad de Sto. Tomas seguirá siendo: *Católica, española y Filipina.*

Cuanto mas Filipina mas Española; y cuanto mas española y filipina mas católica, que ninguno de estos conceptos riñe el uno con el otro, aunque algunos se empeñen en probar lo contrario. ¡Pobre Sto. Tomas el día en que no fuera o Española o Católica!

Y sería sentencia de muerte para ella el día en que con verdad se pudiera decir de ella que no es filipina. ¡Qué bien



suenan esos tres conceptos unidos! ¡Cuán mal sonarían desociados!

Por católica caben en ella todas las grandes ideas, vengán de donde vinieren y hablen la lengua que hablen; por española tiende su proa a aquellas veinte naciones que hablan nuestra lengua y adoran a nuestro Dios; por Filipina, agridecida y buena caben en ella las dos grandes culturas y las dos grandes lenguas que la han formado: la española y la norteamericana, sin que, ello excluya el dialecto nativo que brota del alma misma nacional.

Por Católica hablará a Dios y a los miembros de su hogar en el dialecto nativo; desenvolverá las artes nativas, que en las ideas de Dios caben todas las ideas buenas y santas; por española guardará como una reliquia el recuerdo del pasado; de aquella primera Misa en Limasawa de aquel Sto. Niño de Cebu; de aquellos misioneros gigantes que olvidaban su lengua para escribir los dialectos nativos. Por Filipina agridecida y buena en sus aulas resonarán siempre junto al lenguaje nativo los dos grandes idiomas que hoy se reparten el mundo. Y pudiéramos seguir conjugando esos tres términos indefinidamente.

Ex-alumnos: Vuestra Universidad ciertamente estuvo en mejores manos en otros tiempos. Rectores de mas años y mas experiencia de la vida que los que yo tenía cuando aquí me trajeron, rigieron esta Universidad. La madurez de sus años y la prudencia de sus consejos contrastaban tal vez con mi impulsividad y mi excesivo dinamismo. Pero ya sabéis que son estos tiempos de juventud y de dinamismo. El que no va corriendo por el camino de la vida tiene el riesgo de ser atropellado y quedar desbordado por los que detrás de él vienen.

Hice cuanto en mi estubo para ir siempre adelante. Afortunadamente encontré un profesorado verdaderamente admirable y al que quiero rendir tributo de acción de gracias. Lo digo sin orgullo, pero sí con plena convicción: Con un Profesorado como el de Sto. Tomás y un cuerpo de alumnos como el que tenemos se puede hacer mucho, muchísimo y cualquiera otro hubiera hecho mas que yo.

En los últimos años hemos creado casi un centenar de Vecas para estudiantes pobres; admitimos en nuestras aulas a mas de doscientos maestros de las escuelas casi gratuitasmente dándoles oportunidad de educarse mas y mas. Baste decir



que solo en el curso pasado dió la Universidad matrículas gratuitas o no pagadas por valor de mas de Cien Mil (100,000) Pesos; en nuestro dispensario de S. Juan de Dios han sido atendidos un promedio de 37,000 enfermos por año.

Dentro de unos días se pondrá la primera piedra del *Edificio de Educación*. La planta baja queremos que sea UNA ESCUELA GRATUITA para MIL niños pobres de estos barrios de Sampaloc.

Queremos comunicaros, queridos ex-alumnos, que hemos ido descubriendo verdaderos tesoros de arte y bibliografía, que vamos incorporando a nuestros museos.

Hemos descubierto una docena de obras del Gran Pintor Filipino Juan de Arce, verdadero maestro cuyas obras no se desdeñarían de firmar el Divino Morales, el Greco o Murillo, que de todos tiene algo.

En nuestras viejas bibliotecas hemos descubierto libros hasta del siglo XV, verdadera maravilla del arte de imprimir; del siglo XVI hay un número grande de las mejores imprentas de Europa.

Sabeis que el viejo Intramuros sin perder su antigüedad y su sabor de viejo ha quedado remozado. Aquella Imprenta viejísima la primera de Filipinas ha sido trasladada aquí y tiene un flamante edificio y en aquellos viejos salones hay hoy la Sala de Anatomía acaso mas hermosa de todo el Extremo Oriente.

Todo esto lo decimos no con espíritu de orgullo. Al fin y al cabo no hemos hecho mas que cumplir con nuestro deber. Lo decimos para que lo sepais y os convenzais que esta vieja Madre aun tiene fuerzas para ir echando nuevas ramas.

Personalmente ya se cual va a ser mi fin, si la ciencia no miente y en cosas malas nunca falla. Dentro de pocos meses tendré que irme para un descanso, que quien sabe si será mas largo de lo que creemos.

Ante el Trono del Señor en la balanza de mis obras buenas y para contrapesar mis pecados yo solo podré echar esto:

Señor: veinte años pasé trabajando por un pueblo al que quise como al mio. Cinco años tuve la fortuna de estar al frente de la Universidad de Sto. Tomas, forjadora del alma Filipina; en esos años trabaje cuanto supe y cuanto pude. Acaso me equivoque—eran años para mi, como para todo buen español de muchos dolores y de muchas lágrimas; pero siempre tuve un



solo pensamiento que Filipinas sea cada vez mas vuestra, cada vez mas española y cada vez mas Filipina.

Señor si me equivoque perdonadme pues fué el mio pecado de amor.

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*Noviembre 13, 1940*

EXCELENTISIMO SEÑOR PRESIDENTE DE LA  
MANCOMUNIDAD,

Señor:

Por primera vez en la ya larga historia de esta Institución, nos reunimos junto y en derredor del Jefe de la Nación Filipina, para ofrendarle, al par que nuestro cariño, nuestra mas leal y sincera adhesión.

Sois, porque Dios así lo ha querido y vuestro pueblo os elige repetidas veces, al caudillo indiscutible y casi indiscutible de todo este pueblo.

Son los días que vivimos días de hondas preocupaciones para los pueblos que aún no han sido arrastrados a la vorágine en que luchan desesperadamente pueblos y naciones. Filipinas, cobijada bajo las banderas de las franjas y estrellas y la del Sol y las Estrellas, mira confiada el porvenir, alerta y vigilante, pero con la esperanza de que Dios la saque con bien de la tremenda tempestad que hoy se desencadena.

Y por eso hemos querido, Señor, congregarnos en vuestro derredor; para deciros que estamos junto a Vos y que podeis disponer de nosotros siempre que la Patria lo requiera.

En los siglos medioevales los señores se cruzaban y llamaban junto a si a sus mesnadas para llevarlas a la guerra.

Vos no nos habeis llamado. Fuimos nosotros los que pedimos estuviéseis hoy con nosotros. Y fuísteis tan bueno, que, enfermo y todo, habeis querido recibir nuestro juramento de fidelidad.

Y aqui estamos todos: Vos y nosotros.

Señor: Si alguna vez Filipinas, cuyo Jefe sois, necesita para su defensa del esfuerzo de sus hijos, aquí estan los profesores y los alumnos y alumnas de esta Tres Veces secular Institución, de cuyas aulas salisteis un día para el campo de batalla en defensa de Filipinas, que responderán como un solo hombre al llamamiento que se les haga.



Y si en la paz necesitais del esfuerzo de todos y cada uno, aquí están también, dispuestos a darlo todo y sacrificarlo todo por el engrandecimiento de la Patria común.

Y nosotros, los dominicos, directores y Rectores de esta Venerable Institución, aunque nacidos en España, nos conceptuamos tan unidos e identificados con vosotros, por los lazos comunes de Religión, Cultura y Lengua, que también nos ofrecemos para los días amargos, si llegasen, y para las obras de paz y engrandecimiento.

Aquí hemos dejado nuestra Juventud; aquí hemos gastado nuestras fuerzas; aquí se consumió nuestra salud; aquí dejaremos nuestros restos, que, al volver al polvo, se incorporarán a la tierra filipina, de la cual forman ya parte los cuerpos de cientos y miles de Profesores de Sto. Tomas.

Señor: A vuestras Ordenes y a las órdenes de la gran potencia Norteamericana que aún rige en cierto modo los destinos de este pueblo. A la sombra de esas dos banderas hemos trabajado, como antes trabajamos bajo la gualda y roja; cobijados por ellas queremos trabajar. Lo que ellas significan es y será siempre Sagrado para todos nosotros.

FR. SILVESTRE SANCHO, O.P.  
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